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1. SUMMARY

THE SCIENCE COMMITTEE WILL BE REQUESTED TO APPROVE
THE 1975 BUDGET, TO NOTE AND TO COMMENT ON THE ACTIVITIES
OF THE VARIOUS SPECIAL PROGRAM PANELS AND TO DISCUSS
CERTAIN DECISIONS CONCERNING THE SC HANDLING OF FUTURE
ADVANCED STUDY INSTITUTES.

2. COMMENTS ARE KEYED TO AGENDA ITEMS (AC/137-A/48)

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ITEM I. OPENING REMARKS BY THE CHAIRMAN

US REP SHOULD NOTE

ITEM II. FINANCIAL QUESTIONS

(A) 1975 BUDGET

US REP SHOULD VOTE AUTHORIZATION OF FUNDING FOR
1975 SCIENCE PROGRAM AS OUTLINED IN AC/137-D/540

STATING THAT THIS INCREASE IS SUBJECT TO NORMAL
CIVIL BUDGET COMMITTEE REVIEW, AND POSSIBLE
REDUCTION IN THE CIVIL BUDGET.

(B) SCIENTIFIC CONSULTANT (AC/137-D/539)

US REP SHOULD APPROVE CONTINUATION OF 1974 BUDGET
ITEM TO PROVIDE A FULL-TIME CONSULTANT TO SCIENCE
COMMITTEE UNDER 1975 BUDGET.

ITEM III. REVIEW OF ADVANCED STUDY INSTITUTE PROGRAM
(AC/137-D/542)

US REP MAY WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN DISCUSSION OF
ASI PAPER WHICH ASKS FOR SC GUIDANCE ON FLEXIBILITY
IN SUPPORTING ASI'S WITH ATTENDANCE LARGER THAN
THE NORMAL 50-70 PERSONS, CONSIDERATION OF STRICTER
INTERPRETATION OF LECTURER/STUDENT RATIO, CONSIDER-
ATION OF LIMITATION OF SUPPORT ONLY TO ASI'S OF 10
DAYS OR LONGER DURATION (APPLICATIONS FOR SHORTER
ASI'S WOULD BE REJECTED) AND POSSIBLE WAYS TO
EXTEND SC EVALUATION OF THOSE ASI'S NOW HELD, AND
POSSIBLE WAYS TO EXPAND THE NUMBER OF POTENTIAL
AREAS IN WHICH ASI'S ARE NOW FREQUENTLY HELD.

ITEM IV. RESEARCH GRANTS PROGRAM (AC/137-D/536)

US REP SHOULD NOTE.

ITEM V. SENIOR SCIENTISTS EXCHANGES (AC/137-D/536)
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DOCUMENT NOT YET RECEIVED. US REP MAY USE
DISCRETION IN DISCUSSION OF WHETHER SUPPORT FOR
SENIOR SCIENTISTS SHOULD BE INCREASED AT EXPENSE
OF OTHER SC ACTIVITIES.

ITEM VI. SPECIAL PROGRAM PANELS

(A) HUMAN FACTORS (AC/137-D/537)

US REP SHOULD NOTE. IF QUESTIONS CONCERNING GRANTS ON "RESEARCH ORGANIZATION AND SCIENCE POLICY IN HIGH ENERGY PHYSICS LABORATORIES" AND "CROSS CULTURAL STUDY OF SEXUAL BEHAVIOR", WHICH ASG OZDAS HAS FOUND OBJECTIONABLE, ARE RAISED BY HIM, US REP MAY VOTE AS HIS CONSCIENCE DICTATES.

(B) RADIOMETEOROLOGY (AC/137-D/532)

US REP SHOULD NOTE. US REP MAY WISH TO NOTE THE USEFULNESS OF THE OVERVIEW OF 59 RESEARCH GROUPS IN 15 COUNTRIES PREPARED BY THE PANEL MEMBERS.

(C) MARINE SCIENCES (AC/137-D/541)

US REP SHOULD NOTE STATING THAT US SUPPORTS DECISIONS MADE BY MARINE SCIENCES PANEL BUT RECOMMENDS PANEL RECONSIDER DECISION TO INCLUDE DATA HANDLING AS ONE OF FOUR PROJECT SUPPORT AREAS SINCE THIS AREA IS BEING ACTED UPON QUITE FULLY BY THE INTERNATIONAL OCEANOGRAPHIC COMMISSION'S WORKING COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL OCEANOGRAPHIC DATA EXCHANGE. ACTIVITIES BY THE PANEL IN THIS AREA MAY BE REDUNDANT.

(D) AIR-SEA INTERACTION (AC/137-D/533 AND AC/137-D/534)

US REP SHOULD NOTE. US REP MAY WISH TO APPROVE THE DESIGNATION AND POSSIBLE FUNDING OF ACTIVE CENTERS IN AIR-SEA INTERACTION STUDIES WHICH COULD ENCOURAGE THE ACTIVITY AND TRAINING OF UNCLASSIFIED

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YOUNGER SCIENTISTS.

(E) ECO-SCIENCES (AC/137-D/538)

US REP SHOULD NOTE. HE MAY APPROVE THE ACTION THIS PANEL (AND OTHERS SUCH AS THE HUMAN FACTORS PANEL) HAS TAKEN TO COORDINATE ITS ACTIVITIES WITH THE UNDERTAKING OF SEVERAL OTHER SPECIAL PROGRAM PANELS.

(F) STRESS CORROSION CRACKING (AC/137-D/535)

US REP SHOULD NOTE. US REP MAY WISH TO NOTE WITH APPROVAL THE PANEL'S PREPARATION OF A DIRECTORY OF STRESS CORROSION CRACKING RESEARCH.

VII. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

US REP SHOULD NOTE ORAL REPORT ON SC CONFERENCES INCLUDING INTERNATIONAL REACTIONS TO CONFERENCE ON TECHNOLOGY OF EFFICIENT ENERGY UTILIZATION LAST OCTOBER IN FRANCE AND SUCCESSFUL CONFERENCE ON HEAVY METALS AND ORGANIC HALOGEN COMPOUNDS HELD IN EARLY MAY 1974 IN

CANADA AND PREPARATIONS FOR CONFERENCE ON BENTHIC BOUNDARY LAYER TO BE HELD NEXT NOVEMBER. IF ASKED, US REP IS AUTHORIZED TO SUGGEST TOPIC FOR SCIENCE COMMITTEE CONFERENCE IN EARLY 1975.

SC WILL PROVIDE BRIEFING ON POSSIBLE APPROACHES TO WORLD MATERIALS CRISIS DISCUSSED AT FEBRUARY 1974 SC MEETING.

VIII. FUTURE MEETINGS

NEXT MEETING WILL BE HOSTED BY CANADA IN MONTREAL, SEPTEMBER 25-27. RUSH

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